

will include construction of access roads and bridges.

- (iii) Development of small and mini hydro projects.
- (iv) Financing the expenditure on renovation and modernisation of power plants.
- (v) Financing the expenditure on transmission lines/associated sub-stations required for evacuating power from hydel stations to the load centres.

Trade Promotion drive by Mormugao Port Trust

*236. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mormugao Port Trust has embarked on a major trade promotion drive; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. THAMBI DURAI):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Port Trust had organised a Trade Promotion Seminar in Bangalore on 20th November, 1998 with the co-operation and active support of the Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce & Industries and Greater Mysore Chamber of Industries. The main thrust of the Trade Promotion drive was to bring home in the trade the additional facilities provided in Mormugao Port to attract Import/Export trade to transform itself from a mono-commodity port to a multi-commodity port.

The Port Trust has been successful in creating a greater sense of awareness among the trade circles in Bangalore that with the commissioning of the Konkan Railway and the conversion of the meter-gauge railway to broad-gauge through South Central Railway, Mormugao Port

Trust would now be able to handle export/import cargoes to/from any part of the India through the trunk railway system.

Power Generation in Assam

*237. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the present annual installed power generation capacity in Assam and the actual power generation in the State with details for the last five years, year-wise;

(b) the details of the demand of power in the State and how far it is met; and

(c) whether Government propose to meet the acute shortage of power in the State, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The present annual installed power generation capacity in Assam is 1142 MW. The actual power generation in the State in million units during the last five years is given below:—

Year	Generation (MU)
1993-94	1348
1994-95	1533
1995-96	1828
1996-97	2061
1997-98	1931
1998-99	1618
(April—Nov. 1998)	

(b) During the current year (April—Nov. 1998) the power supply position in Assam has been more or less comfortable. The details are as follows:—

Energy (in MU Net)	
Requirement	1967
Availability	1904.5
Shortage	62.5
Percentage Shortage	3.2